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APPLICANT: Weiss, Steven A.

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FOR: Gaming Device and Method
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Bonuses

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EXAMINER: Nguyen, K.

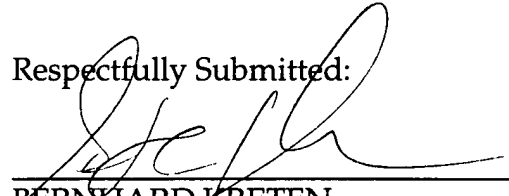
To: Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

REQUEST FOR PERSONAL INTERVIEW

Undersigned hereby specifically requests that the Examiner consider and suggest convenient times at which a personal interview with the Examiner may be conducted with undersigned to expedite resolution of this case. At that time any remaining details can be discussed which assures this case is suitable for passage to issue.

Dated: August 5, 2002

Respectfully Submitted:


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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously filed.

A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

No additional fee is required for the presentation of additional claims.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

(Col 1)					(Col 2)		(Col 3)Small Entity:		Other Than A Small Entity:	
Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For		Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee	OR	Rate	Addit. Fee	
Total:	7*	Minus	**20	0	x 9.=	\$0.00		x 18.=	\$0.00	
Indep.:	5*	Minus	**3	2	x 42.=	\$0.00		x 84.=	\$168.00	
Total:									\$168.00	

* If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.

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A check in the amount of \$278.00 is enclosed, \$168.00 of which is to be received for the presentation of additional claims.

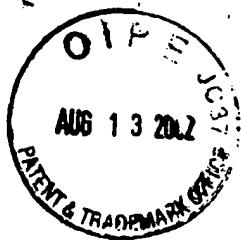
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Paper:

1. An Amendment (responsive to the Office Action dated April 4, 2002);
2. Amendment Transmittal (original and one copy);
3. An Extension of Time (original and one copy);
4. A Copy of the Bracketed and Underlined Claims as amended (1 page);
5. A Copy of the Bracketed and Underlined Specification as amended (1 page);
6. A Copy of the Pending Claims dated July 12, 2002 (2 pages);
7. A Request for Personal Interview;
8. A Request Continued Examination Transmittal;
9. A Check in the Amount of \$1018.00; and
10. A Return Receipt Card.

I hereby certify that the above identified correspondence, which is attached, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, with sufficient postage, in an envelope addressed to:

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on August 5, 2002.

Melissa Weirick

(Signature)

August 5, 2002

(Date of Signature)

The Examiner is respectfully requested to note that the Office Action to which this amendment responds was mailed on April 4, 2002, thereby requiring a response on August 4, 2002. August 4, 2002 was a Sunday. Therefore this amendment is timely filed on Monday, August 5, 2002.